

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A polarizing plate protective film employed in for a liquid crystal display member, the film comprising a cellulose ester film, wherein the film has film

- a) a length of the polarizing plate protective film is at least 1000 m,
- b) a thickness of the polarizing plate protective film is 20 to 60 μm , and
- c) variation in the film thickness of the polarizing plate protective film is within ± 3.0 percent of the standard film thickness to an average thickness of the polarizing plate protective film.

Claims 2-3 (cancelled).

Claim 4 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a liquid crystal display member of claim 1 ~~[[3]]~~ wherein average degree of substitution of the cellulose ester film is 2.88 to 3.00.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a liquid crystal display member of claim 1 ~~[[3]]~~ wherein cellulose ester film is a film employing a composition ratio of wood pulp cellulose/cotton linter cellulose = 60/40 to 0/100 in terms of weight ratio.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a liquid crystal display member of claim 1 ~~[[3]]~~ wherein cellulose ester film is comprised of lower fatty acid esters of cellulose.

Claim 7 (cancelled).

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Claim 8 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a ~~liquid crystal display member~~ of claim 1 ~~[[7]]~~ wherein a length of the film is at least 1500 m.

Claim 9 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a ~~liquid crystal display member~~ of claim 1 wherein tear strength of the film is at least 7 g.

Claim 10 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a ~~liquid crystal display member~~ of claim 1 wherein haze of the film is no more than 0.5 percent.

Claim 11 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a ~~liquid crystal display member~~ of claim 1 wherein retardation value of the film is below 10 nm.

Claim 12 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a ~~liquid crystal display member~~ of claim 1 wherein the film comprises a plasticizer in an amount of 1 to 30 percent by weight.

Claim 13 (currently amended): The polarizing plate protective film employed in a ~~liquid crystal display member~~ of claim 1 wherein the film comprises an UV absorber in an amount of 0.01 to 5 percent by weight.

Claim 14 (original): A polarizing plate comprising a polarizer and a polarizing plate protective film wherein thickness of the polarizing plate protective film is 20 to 60 μm and variation in the film thickness of the polarizing plate protective film is within ± 3.0 percent the standard film thickness.

Claim 15 (original): The polarizing plate of claim 14 wherein the polarizing plate protective film is provided on each of both sides of the polarizer.

Claim 16 (original): The polarizing plate of claim 14 wherein the polarizing plate protective film comprises a cellulose ester film.

Claim 17 (original): The polarizing plate of claim 14 wherein average degree of substitution of the cellulose ester film is 2.88 to 3.00.

Claims 18-20 (cancelled).